

**State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation**

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Willow Ridge Trail Reroute

LOCATION: Henry W. Coe State Park

COUNTY: Santa Clara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Realign dilapidated and hazardous section (approximately 500 yards) of upper portion of Willow Ridge Trail at Henry W. Coe State Park. Current condition of trail section poses a potential public safety hazard to users and results in erosion and sedimentation into nearby watercourses. Grade new trail reroute approximately 300 feet south of existing alignment, then restore decommissioned section to natural contours. Project protects public safety and natural resources, improves visitor services, and supports continued use and maintenance.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Four Rivers District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section:)
☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor public alterations in the condition of land and vegetation, which will not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees (included as "trail construction or realignment" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR §15300.4).

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